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To the Reader:

The Department of Finance is pleased to present the 2006 edition of the Delaware Fiscal Notebook. The Fiscal Notebook taps sources throughout the State to assemble a wide variety of essential financial information. It is designed to be a "user friendly" guide providing policymakers and interested citizens with useful revenue, expenditure, debt, pension, and budget information. In addition, the Fiscal Notebook provides convenient statutory references and details the legislative development of the State's taxes.

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Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Richard S. Cordrey".

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